IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

RANDY BRANCH,

Applicant,

No. 13-cv-0687 LH/SMV

MARK GALLEGOS,

v.

Respondent.

ORDER TO SUBSTITUTE PARTY AND TO ANSWER

THIS MATTER is before the Court sua sponte under rules 1(b) and 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases, on Petitioner's Habeas Corpus-Mandamus Petition [Doc. 1]. The Court will order an answer to the Petition.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Clerk is directed to substitute Mark Gallegos, Warden, as the sole named Respondent in this matter;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all future filings in this case shall reflect the caption above;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk forward to Respondent and to the United States Attorney a copy of Petitioner's Habeas Corpus-Mandamus Petition [Doc. 1], and supporting papers and exhibits, if any, together with a copy of this Order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent answer Petitioner's Habeas Corpus-Mandamus Petition within 23 days of entry of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

STEPHAN M. VIDMAR United States Magistrate Judge